

Briefing Paper for Projects in Idaho Roadless Areas

Name of Project: Windy – Shingle CE

Forest/District: Nez Perce – Clearwater National Forest / Salmon River Ranger District

Date: 11/15/2016

Roadless Area: Rapid River (#922) – 78,700 acres

Management Theme: Wild Land Recreation

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Proposed Action:

- 170 acres of prescribed burning in unit B5
- B5 acres comprise 0.02% of the total IRA
- B5 acres are included within the ID County Wildland-Urban Interface Wildfire Mitigation Plan otherwise known as WUI.

Purpose and Need:

- Reduce wildfire risk to local White Water Ranch Community and surrounding federal lands.
- Prescribed burning to treat vegetation and reduce fuels adjacent to Timber Unit 11 tying in larger block to reduce risk of private land within WUI.
- Break up fuel continuity and create patchy mosaic to affect fire behavior while potentially reducing fire size and/or severity also known as catastrophic wildfire.

Road construction/Reconstruction

Proposed: No

Timber cutting, sale or removal

Proposed: No

Discretionary minerals

Proposed: No

Responsible official: Cheryl Probert

Other information: Scoping will begin January 2017. Fuels Specialist has also met with White Water Ranch residents July, 2016 to discuss general overview of the project and purpose and need. ID County Commissioners have been briefed of the project details by Line Officer.